



# TIWI TIMES

Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board

## It has been a big year for Tiwi Islands



In the last twelve months, TITEB has successfully placed 73 participants into employment. All of these placements have been with locally based organisations. The main employers have been Tiwi Enterprises, TIRC, NUA, Outback Stores, MCPS, Northern Rise, BIHA, McMahons Construction, Gibson Mining and TITEB itself. All of these employers have placed multiple participants into work, embracing the spirit of RJCP in employing and empowering local people. There are many other local business also embracing RJCP in providing Work experience to our participants, both paid and unpaid.

RJCP provides a grassroots alternative to employment services with the ultimate goal of sustainable jobs and community based activities that ultimately lead to better, stronger communities. As the service provider, TITEB has embraced this.



*Ministers Francis Xavier & Peter Chandler caught up with students doing a Certificate II in Cleaning at Milikapiti.*

TITEB has employed 15 people in the last year from our caseload, 8 of these were graduates of the Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) program, a language, literacy and numeracy program also run by TITEB. TITEB has employed local talent across the board in all of the services that we deliver, including but not limited to RJCP, SEE, Money Management and the Remote Schools Attendance Strategy (RSAS). TITEB is firmly committed to having 80% Tiwi employed within the company by the end of 2015 and has a clear succession plan to ensure this goal is a reality.

The message that we want to get out to everyone out there on the Islands is that if you have an employment need or a community activity that you need assistance with come and see the team at TITEB and see what we can do to help you.

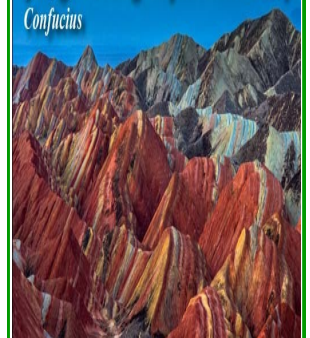
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## Quote of the Month

*It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.*  
Confucius




## Xavier Catholic College Wurrumiyanga



**XAVIER  
CATHOLIC  
COLLEGE  
WURRUMIYANGA**

Quality Catholic Tiwi Education  
Year 7 to Year 13



**The College community congratulates the  
graduating class of 2014: Jericka Mungatopi and  
Amber Tipiloura.**

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Xavier Catholic College Wurrumiyanga provides a Quality Catholic Tiwi Education for students from Year Seven to Year Thirteen.

This year, Xavier Catholic College Wurrumiyanga (XCCW) and the whole school community is celebrating a monumental occasion. At the end of 2014, two students – Jericka Mungatopi and Amber Tipiloura – will be receiving the Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET). Both students completed their studies while schooling *on the Tiwi Islands* and have attended both Murrupurtiyanuwu Catholic Primary School (MCPS) and XCCW to complete their 13 years of education.

These girls are leaders and role models for future generations of Tiwi students. They have shown that Tiwi students don't need to leave home to complete their senior secondary studies, but can stay in community and graduate successfully.

The girls have had a challenging year, coming to school every day and working hard with their teachers to complete all their work and assignments. Their teachers - Russell Smith, Rebekah Sibenaler, Michael Joseph and Tahnee Gale - have worked extremely hard alongside these girls to support them throughout this journey.

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of November, the girls, their families and friends, members of the Catholic Education Office as well as their teachers from XCCW and MCPS went in to Darwin for the NTOEC Graduation Dinner and Presentation Evening. The event was held at SkyCity Casino and the night was a wonderful reward for all the girls' hard work. Dressed in their finest, our students were presented with a Stage 2 certificate of completion. Jericka and Amber also received an award for the 2014 NTOEC Top Achiever for their Stage 2 Health, Recreation and the Community subject and they celebrated into the night with other NTOEC Graduates from across the Territory.

Please join the XCCW school community in congratulating our students – Jericka Mungatopi and Amber Tipiloura – on their incredible achievement. Thank you to everyone in the community who helped support these students in the completion of their studies. It is with your continuing support and encouragement that more NTCET graduates and strong community leaders will arise and develop in the Tiwi community.

All members of the community are invited to celebrate this fantastic achievement at the XCCW 2014 End of Year Presentation and NTCET Graduation Ceremony. This event is to be held on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014 at the MCPS Gsell Centenary Hall at 12:00pm**. If you have any questions please contact the College on (08) 8978 3970.

### Milikapiti Chainsaw Training



Week commencing 24th November saw TITEB hold a chainsaw course in Milikapiti.

The course was attended by 6 women and 2 men.

The course was very successful with all students completing the course and learning more skills in the safe operation and maintenance of chainsaws.

30 people have done chainsaw training in the three communities of Wurrumiyanga, Pirlangimpi and Milikapiti this year getting ready for the first 30 new jobs in forestry in 2015.

Congratulations to all.



### Pirlangimpi Chainsaw training

Week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> November TITEB held a Chainsaw training course in Pirlangimpi for 10 days. The course focused on the Health & Safety when working with chainsaw's, the safe maintenance and operation of a Chainsaw. TITEB would like to thank the Munupi Directors who granted permission to fell 10 trees for the course so that the trainees could put the classroom knowledge into practice. After successfully completing the course the guys helped Sister Barbara in pruning the Church grounds, putting their new skills into good practice within the Pirlangimpi community.



*Photo Above from left to right (back to front): Jimmy Kris, Anthony Edwards, Colin Mears (Trainer), Stewart Nicholson (TITEB), Edward Yunupingu & Shane Kerinaia.*





### **Trailers finished in Pirlangimpi**

After the Trailer building practical course was completed a number of weeks ago, we had remaining work to get finished so that all 6 trailers could be registered.

Our Supervisor Michael Page dedicated his time to getting these trailers all finished before taking his next career step in working for McMahons.

TITEB would like to recognise the hard work of all the guys who participated in the practical course and to Michael Page for continuing this work and also to Michael from the shire workshop for the electrical support.

We are now in the progress of registering the 6 trailers, so we can put them to good use in the community. We may even paint the trailers with Tiwi Art!!!



*From left to right: Jermaine Clayton, Stewart Nicholson (TITEB) & Michael Page.*

## Pirlangimpi Port

TITEB has been working with McMahons / Intract, AGC and Northern Rise over the past few weeks and as a result we have successfully placed 8 men and 3 women into various full-time and part-time positions at the port.

TITEB has also been working with McMahons / Intract and AGC to get some of the guys their Roller Operators tickets through Barry Adams, TITEB's Civil Operations approved trainer.

With the arrival of the accommodation modules over the coming weeks we are working with McMahons / Intract to create further positions.

TITEB would like to thank McMahons / Intract, AGC and Northern Rise for the positive working relationship they have with us, and the great progress in creating jobs for the local community.



*Photo Above from left to right: Jodie Minniecon, Sharlene Tipungwuti, Michael Page, Jason Chancellor (McMahons), Stewart Nicholson (TITEB), Michael Wilson, Jermaine Clayton & Stephen Coleman.*



To both the men and women who have started through us at the Port; Michael Page, Jermaine Clayton, Michael Wilson, Bradley Rioli, Reginald Tipungwuti, Norman Pangirminni, Leon Puruntatameri, Stephen Coleman, Jodie Minniecon, Bernadette Tipungwuti, and Sharlene Tipungwuti. WELL DONE and we are all very proud of you!!!

**Ranku RJCP Womens Centre**



**Photos on the Left:**  
 1: Ranku RJCP Women's Activity Centre banner.

2: Paintings by Ranku women.

**Photos sent in by Debra Cooper.**

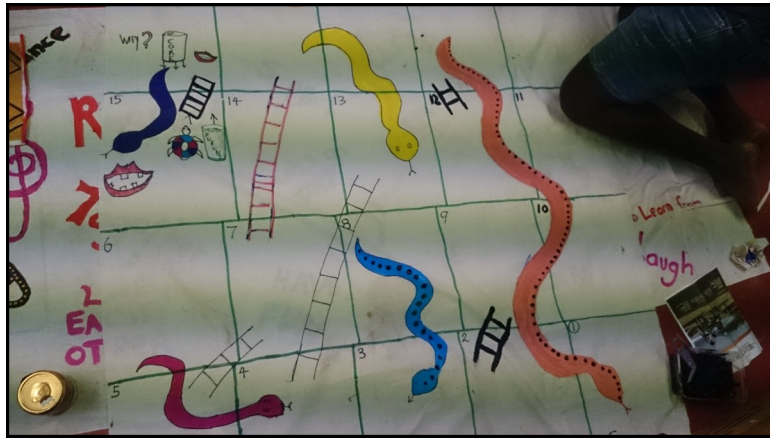


We created a game of snakes and ladders to work out ups and downs in health. Our focus was Safe Sexual Health... With Anne Davies from the Wurrumiyanga clinic. CCNT catered.

Thankyou for lunch and support Purnarrika.

Our group of young women listened to the elders and learnt in the Tiwi way.

Thankyou Strong Tiwi women who added to this knowledge and for encouraging young woman to be informed and strong in their decisions.



**Photos on the Left:**  
 1: Beverly Wilson, Amazing artist, a member of Manupi Art Centre.. Ready for work in the new year.

2: Strong Woman and Weaver Jacinta Tipungwati, helps to teach young woman traditional weaving and plant dyes.

3: Concepta (Connie) and Michelle collecting plants for dyes.

4: Able made a special stick for pulling out pandanus for weaving.



**Photos on the Right:**

1 & 2: Big walk on the beach to do exercise and wanting to find turtle eggs after we saw turtle tracks in the sand.





**Happy Holidays!**

*Last School day  
Thursday 11th December*

**100%**

**Attendance**

**Every Week Next Term!**

Great certificates & prizes to be won.

Back to School 27th January 2015!



# SCHOOL IS YOUR FUTURE!

DON'T MISS OUT! DON'T MISS A DAY!



Australian Government

REMOTE  
**SCHOOL**  
ATTENDANCE  
STRATEGY

What do you  
want to be  
when  
you grow up?



A singer?

A sports star?

A teacher?

A doctor?

A community leader?

Don't miss out.

No matter what you want to be, the best way to get a job and have a career in your community is to make sure you go to school and don't miss a day!

With a good education, you can be **anything you want to be!**

Sometimes it's hard to get to school if you don't have the right uniform, breakfast, a good lunch, but now there are local people in your community who can help.

The School Attendance Team are working with students, parents, school staff and community members to help make sure all kids get to school.

They're local people from your community – mums, dads, aunties, uncles and grandparents. So if you or your family need help to make sure you can get to school, ask your School Attendance Team. **“Arrikinga Shirts”**

## Tiwi Together



We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Tiwi Family and Friends, wishing you, a wonderful Christmas and Happy New-year. For all those who have attended our offices, we hope we provided you with the assistance and respect deserved and assure you we will do our best to assist you even better in the New Year.

In this time of giving, I wish we all take the opportunity to ponder on what our community has achieved over the years and what we can give back to make our community stronger in the future.

We hope that together we can make our communities even prouder in the New Year.

We would also like to say a big thank you to all organisations on the Tiwi Islands without exception; all assistance provided was very much appreciated.

TITEB Family  
Tiwi Together

**BE CROCWISE**   
Enjoy the festive season in safety.



## TITEB Christmas Closure Dates

**TITEB OFFICE IN DARWIN**

**Closed from Monday 22nd December 2014**

**Re-Opening Monday 12th January 2015**



**TITEB TRAINING CENTRES & MONEY MANAGEMENT**

**Wurrumiyanga, Pirlangimpi & Milikapiti**

**Closed from Monday 22nd December 2014**

**Re-Opening Monday 5th January 2015**

Merry  
Christmas!



**Seasons Greetings**

**from the**

**Directors & Staff of TITEB**



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## Articles For The Tiwi Times

If you have any articles which you would like to go into the **February** Tiwi Times please email them to us at: [tiwitimes@titeb.com](mailto:tiwitimes@titeb.com)

We try our hardest to get your Tiwi Times out by the end of each month and it would be appreciated if you could have your articles for the next Times to us by:

**Tuesday 17th of Feb 2015**